

Third Preliminary Amendment
Serial No. 09/209,932

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b6 b7c 34 254. The composite membrane of claim 249, wherein said at least one ion exchange resin further comprises metal salts with or without a polymer.-- *29*

REMARKS

Claims 100-189 and newly added claims 190-254 are pending in the application.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATIONS:

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required for the consideration of this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500. Order No. 0769-4582 US1. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,

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